



**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

**Occupational Safety and Health Administration**

**[Docket No. OSHA-2013-0013]**

**Federal Advisory Council on Occupational Safety and Health (FACOSH)**

**AGENCY:** Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Labor.

**ACTION:** Reopening of the record, and extension of time to submit nominations for membership on the Federal Advisory Council on Occupational Safety and Health (FACOSH).

**SUMMARY:** OSHA is reopening the record extending the time for interested persons to submit nominations for FACOSH membership until [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

**DATES:** Nominations for FACOSH must be submitted (postmarked, sent, transmitted, or received) by [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit nominations and supporting materials, identified by Docket No. OSHA-2013-0013, by one of the following methods:

Electronically: You may submit nominations, including attachments, electronically at <http://www.regulations.gov>, the Federal eRulemaking Portal. Follow the online instructions for submitting nominations;

Facsimile: If your nomination, including attachments, does not exceed 10 pages, you may fax it to the OSHA Docket Office at (202) 693-1648;

Mail, express delivery, hand delivery, and messenger or courier service: You may submit nominations and all supporting materials to the OSHA Docket Office, Docket No. OSHA-2013-0013, Room N-2625, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW.,

Washington, DC 20210; telephone (202) 693-2350, (OSHA's TTY number (877) 889-5627).

Deliveries (hand, express mail, and messenger/courier service) are accepted during the Department of Labor's and OSHA Docket Office's normal business hours, 8:15 a.m. - 4:45 p.m., e.t.

Instructions: Your nominations and supporting materials must include the agency name and docket number for this Federal Register notice (Docket No. OSHA-2013-0013). Because of security-related procedures, submitting nominations by regular mail may result in a significant delay in their receipt. Please contact the OSHA Docket Office for information about security procedures for submitting nominations by hand delivery, express delivery, and messenger or courier service.

Submissions in response to this Federal Register notice, including personal information provided, will be placed in the public docket without change and may be posted online at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Therefore, OSHA cautions interested parties about submitting personal information, such as Social Security numbers and birth dates.

Electronic copies of this Federal Register notice as well as OSHA's September 6, 2013 notice (78 FR 54923) requesting nominations for FACOSH membership are available at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Both notices, as well as news releases and other relevant information, are also available on OSHA's webpage at <http://www.osha.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

For press inquiries: Mr. Francis Meilinger, OSHA, Office of Communications, Room N-3647, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210; telephone (202) 693-1999; email: [meilinger.francis2@dol.gov](mailto:meilinger.francis2@dol.gov).

For general information: Mr. Francis Yebesi, OSHA, Office of Federal Agency Programs, Directorate of Enforcement Programs, Room N-3622, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210; telephone (202) 693-2122; email [ofap@dol.gov](mailto:ofap@dol.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

OSHA is providing additional time for interested persons to submit nominations for FACOSH membership. Interested persons have until [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER] to submit nominations for five vacancies on FACOSH, three labor and two management members.

OSHA originally published a Federal Register notice requesting submission of nominations for FACOSH membership by November 5, 2013 (78 FR 54923 (9/6/2013)). OSHA is providing additional time in order to obtain an adequate number of candidates who meet FACOSH membership requirements and qualifications.

FACOSH is authorized to advise the Secretary of Labor on all matters relating to the occupational safety and health of Federal workers (Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (29 U.S.C. 668), 5 U.S.C. 7902, Executive Orders 12196 and 13511). This includes providing advice on how to reduce and keep to a minimum the number of injuries and illnesses in the Federal workforce, and how to encourage the establishment and maintenance of effective occupational safety and health programs in each Federal Executive Branch Department and Agency.

FACOSH membership. FACOSH is comprised of 16 members, who the Secretary appoints to staggered terms not to exceed 3 years. The categories of FACOSH membership and the number of new members to be appointed to three-year terms include:

- Eight members who are Federal agency management representatives -- Two management representatives will be appointed.
- Eight members who are representatives of labor organizations that represent Federal employees -- Three labor representatives will be appointed.

FACOSH members serve at the pleasure of the Secretary and may be appointed to successive terms. FACOSH meets at least two times a year.

The Department of Labor is committed to equal opportunity in the workplace and seeks broad-based and diverse FACOSH membership. Any interested person may nominate one or more qualified persons for membership on FACOSH. Interested persons also are invited and encouraged to submit statements in support of nominees.

Nomination requirements. Submission of nominations must include the following information:

- The nominee's name, contact information and current occupation or position;
- The nominee's resume or curriculum vitae, including prior membership on FACOSH and other relevant organizations, associations and committees;
- Category of membership (management, labor) the nominee is qualified to represent;
- A summary of the nominee's background, experience and qualifications that address the nominee's suitability to serve on FACOSH;
- Articles or other documents the nominee has authored that indicate the nominee's knowledge, experience and expertise in occupational safety and health, particularly as it pertains to the Federal workforce; and

- A statement that the nominee is aware of the nomination, is willing to regularly attend and participate in FACOSH meetings, and has no apparent conflicts of interest that would preclude membership on FACOSH.

Member selection. The Secretary appoints FACOSH members based upon criteria that include the nominee's level of responsibility for occupational safety and health matters involving the Federal workforce, experience and competence in occupational safety and health, and willingness and ability to regularly and fully participate in FACOSH meetings. Federal agency management nominees who serve as Designated Agency Safety and Health Officials (DASHOs), or at an equivalent level of responsibility within their respective agencies, are preferred as management members. Labor nominees who are responsible for Federal employee occupational safety and health matters within their respective labor organizations are preferred as labor members.

The information received through the nomination process, along with other relevant sources of information, will assist the Secretary in making appointments to FACOSH. In selecting FACOSH members, the Secretary may consider individuals nominated in response to this Federal Register notice, as well as other qualified individuals. OSHA will publish a list of the new FACOSH members in the Federal Register.

### **Public Participation.**

Instructions for submitting nominations. Interested persons may submit nominations and supplemental materials using one of the methods listed in the ADDRESSES section. All nominations, attachments and other materials must identify the Federal agency/ labor organization name and the docket number for this Federal Register notice (Docket No. OSHA-2013-0013). You may supplement electronic nominations by uploading document files

electronically. If, instead, you wish to submit by hard copy additional materials in reference to your electronic or FAX submission, you must submit them to the OSHA Docket Office (see ADDRESSES section). The additional material must clearly identify your electronic or FAX submission by name and docket number (Docket No. OSHA-2013-0013) so that the materials can be attached to your submission.

Because of security-related procedures, the use of regular mail may cause a significant delay in the receipt of nominations. For information about security procedures concerning the delivery of materials by hand, express delivery, messenger or courier service, please contact the OSHA Docket Office (see ADDRESSES section).

All submissions in response to this Federal Register notice are placed in the public docket without change and may be posted online at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Therefore, OSHA cautions interested parties about submitting personal information, such as Social Security numbers and birthdates. Guidance on submitting nominations and materials in response to this Federal Register notice is available at <http://www.regulations.gov> and from the OSHA Docket Office.

Access to docket and other materials. To read or download nominations and additional materials submitted in response to this Federal Register notice, please go to Docket No. OSHA-2013-0013 at <http://www.regulations.gov>. All submissions are listed in the index of that docket. However, some documents (e.g., copyrighted material) are not publicly available to read or download through that Webpage. All submissions, including copyrighted material, are available for inspection and copying at the OSHA Docket Office. Contact the OSHA Docket Office for information about materials not available through <http://www.regulations.gov> and for assistance in using the internet to locate submissions.

Electronic copies of this Federal Register notice are available at <http://www.regulations.gov>. This document, as well as news releases and other relevant information, also is available at OSHA's Webpage at <http://www.osha.gov>.

**Authority and Signature**

David Michaels, PhD, MPH, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, directed the preparation of this notice under the authority granted by 29 U.S.C. 668, 5 U.S.C. 7902, 5 U.S.C. App 2, Executive Order 12196 and 13511, 29 CFR Part 1960, 41 CFR Part 102-3, and Secretary of Labor's Order 1-2012 (77 FR 3912 (1/25/2012)).

Signed at Washington, D.C. on January 2, 2014.

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